

REMARKS

At pages 3-4 of the Official Action, the Examiner notes that Figures 13A-13I, 14, 15A, 15B, 16A, 16B, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20, and 21 have been submitted in color, and requests that Applicants either cancel the drawings, provide substitute black and white drawings, or file an acceptable Petition to accept color drawings. As stated in the Amendment filed on December 9, 2003, substitute black and white drawings have now been prepared for Figures 13A-13I, 14, 15A, 15B, 16A, 16B, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20, and 21, and are submitted herewith.

CONCLUSION

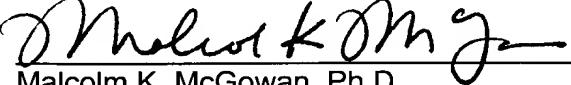
From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is believed to be next in order, and such action is earnestly solicited.

In the event that there are any questions concerning the present Supplemental Amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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